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Title: Need to release grant for Rural Livelihood Mission in 205 blocks of Tamil Nadu.

SHRI K. ASHOK KUMAR (KRISHNAGIRI): Thank you Madam Speaker.

Tamil Nadu State Rural Livelihoods Mission is being implemented by the Tamil Nadu Corporation for Development of Women in 31 districts. Around 120 blocks are covered under the Pudhu Vaazhvu Project (new life project) funded by the World Bank and 265 blocks under TNSRLM.

Madam, a detailed report of the project, covering 265 blocks at an estimated outlay of Rs. 3,297 crore, has been submitted to the Union Government. However, the Government had sanctioned only Rs. 564 crore for 60 blocks for the past four years.

Our Chief Minister Amma presented a memorandum to the Union Government regarding the necessity of implementing the Rural Livelihoods Mission in the remaining 205 blocks.

Madam, I would therefore, urge upon the Union Government to release fund for the remaining 205 blocks.

Thank you.

HON. SPEAKER: Shri Bhairon Prasad Mishra is permitted to associate with the issue raised by Shri K. Ashok Kumar.